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MINUTES  
Board of Trustees  
Bowling Green State University  
May 30, 1997

Notice having been given in accordance with the Board of Trustees Bylaws, the following members met in the Assembly Room of McFall Center, Bowling Green Campus on May 30, 1997: G. Ray Medlin, Jr., Chair; Delbert L. Latta, Vice Chair; David A. Bryan; John A. Laskey; Michael J. Marsh; Valerie L. Newell; Kermit F. Stroh; Eileen Sullivan. Leon Bibb and C. Ellen Connally were not present.

Also present were President Sidney A. Ribeau; Lester E. Barber, Executive Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Board; Robert Holmes, 1997-98 Faculty Representative to the Board; Tara Gore, 1997-98 Undergraduate Student Representative to the Board; Joan Morgan, 1996-97 Administrative Staff Representative to the Board; Pat Kitchen, 1996-97 Classified Staff Representative to the Board; Richard Westhofen, 1997-98 Firelands College Representative to the Board; J. Christopher Dalton, Senior Vice President for Finance; Charles R. Middleton, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; John C. Moore, Interim Vice President for University Advancement; Edward Whipple, Vice President for Student Affairs; Gaylyn Finn, Treasurer; media representatives; and a number of observers.

Chair Medlin called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.; the Board Secretary called the roll and announced that a quorum was present (seven Trustees).

MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Stroh and seconded by Mr. Marsh that the minutes of the meetings of April 25, 1997, be approved as written. The motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Ribeau thanked those involved in the spring commencement ceremonies. On May 9 and 10, over 2,000 student graduated. As you know, the format of the ceremony was changed to multiple ceremonies and they were held in Anderson Arena. It was an astounding success.

Chair Medlin extended sympathy on behalf of the Board of Trustees to the family of Professor Elliott Blinn who passed away unexpectedly on May 7. Heartfelt condolences are extended to his wife, Joyce and children, Benjamin and Kara. Elliott will be sorely missed by the faculty, staff and students of BGSU.

Financial Affairs

Registration for continuing students for Fall Semester 1997 ended May and will resume August 23. Registration for students newly admitted for the fall will take place this summer. As of May 9, 10,766 students were registered for Fall Semester. This is 387 fewer than last year at the same time. This is not unexpected due to the smaller size of last year's entering class.

Registration is ongoing for Summer 1997 classes which began May 19. As of May 13, 5953 students were registered for classes. This is 97 fewer than last year at the same time.

Grades for Spring Semester 1997 were processed and were available to students on May 15. Grades were available to students over the World Wide Web once again this spring. Approximately, 73,000 individual grades were collected and recorded on the Student Information System within two days.

Student Affairs

Career Services has received the National Association of Colleges and Employers 1997 Award of Excellence for Educational Programming for the Multicultural Career Institute. The award is to be presented in August.

BGSU has earned a state-wide reputation for its programs dealing with sexual assault. On April 14, 1997, the Coalition Against Sexual Offenses hosted a conference, "Combating Sexual Offenses on the College Campus: What Can We Do?" There were 92 attendees, including students and staff from campuses in five states.

On April 18, Orientation and Registration (formerly known as Pre-Registration) forwarded invitations to 6,200 fall freshman students. After three weeks of processing, approximately 1,730 students are confirmed for the program which begins July 1, 1997. There are approximately 100 fewer students than at this time last year.

The Summer Freshman Program Orientation & Registration on May 19 and 20 welcomed more than 130 students to campus. These numbers are consistent with last year's numbers.

Transfer student registrations total approximately 200 reservations, spread out over four dates: June 30, July 30, August 19 and 20. This is consistent with last year's numbers.

Welcome Week plans are underway. A request has been made to host an all-campus picnic similar to the one held in September for the President's Inauguration. This picnic will follow the New Student Convocation to be held Tuesday, August 26, in Anderson Arena.

The summer conference season began with the State Fire School held during the week of May 11th. During the month of June, the Student Union Conference Office will host seven conferences, bringing more than 4,000 people to campus. These seven conferences will spend close to \$500,000 in purchasing housing, food and other services at the University. Buckeye Boys State and Buckeye Girls State will be here during June with more than 2,000 high school juniors residing at BGSU for a week.

A new publication is being developed for new students to BGSU. This publication is entitled, FYI, First Year Insight. This project is a joint venture between Student Publications and the First Year Experience Program. This 32 page publication will be sent to new students on approximately August 1, 1997 and will hopefully be one more piece of information about BGSU that will get them excited about their arrival to campus at the end of August and strengthen their connection to the University community.

#### Academic Affairs

Ms. Rebecca Ferguson, Director of Employee/Labor Relations at the University of Toledo, has been hired, pending the Board of Trustees ratification, as Assistant Provost for Human Relations at BGSU and will begin her new assignment on July 1. Ms. Ferguson has been with the University of Toledo since 1991 and prior to that was Personnel Officer and Labor Relations Officer with the Ohio Department of Transportation in Bowling Green.

A symposium for business executives sponsored by the Marketing Department was held April 19 at BGSU. Executives, faculty, and select students totaling approximately 125 attended the symposium, "Strategic Market Planning: A Competitive Weapon for Winning Your Key Markets."

The College of Business awards ceremony in May for undergraduate students featured college and department scholarships and awards totaling over \$75,000. The Karl E. Vogt award for the outstanding senior in the College was presented to Malissa Snyder. Malissa also was a featured speaker at the May Commencement ceremony for the College of Business Administration.

Pi Omega Pi, the national business education honorary society, was awarded the Alpha PSI Chapter at BGSU with third place in the country for its national project this year. BGSU's project included a comprehensive search of the World Wide Web to accumulate useful information for high school business and marketing teachers. President of the chapter was senior Joel Mengerink. Advisor is Dr. Kathy Siebenaler Wilson. The national organization presented the award to Joel Mengerink, who represented the chapter at the national convention in New York City in April. Dr. Robert E. Berns, chair of the Department of Business Education, also participated in the awards ceremony.

Two students in the College of Education and Human Development were recently selected to receive grants from the Delta Kappa Gamma Society of Ohio. Delta Kappa Gamma is an international organization of women who are professional educators. Each year, the Ohio chapter accepts up to four nominations from each state-assisted university in the state. Candidates are teacher education majors who will be participating in their student teaching experience during the coming academic year. This year, five \$900 awards were given statewide, and two of those awards were to BGSU teacher education majors. The recipients are Beth Ann Gehle, of Celina, and Paulette Brookover, Toledo.

In addition, two undergraduate students in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences have been given the opportunity to spend the summer working on a nutrition project at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, thanks to the efforts of Dr. Dawn Hentges, associate professor in the department, and the cooperation of NASA. Dr. Hentges recently received a Summer Faculty Fellowship from NASA and will spend 10 weeks at the Space Center developing safety procedures in growing, processing, storing and preparing food in a chamber environment. Accompanying her in this experience will be Heather Siegmund and Kristen Mackert, both dietetics majors from Amherst, Ohio.

Five students in the Higher Education and Student Affairs Department will be going abroad this summer to participate in special internships experiences. Each student is pursuing a doctoral degree in higher education administration. Their travels will fulfill a global awareness requirement in the program.

Renee F. Borns will spend the month of June as an intern in the Student Services Division of the University of Huddersfield, in Huddersfield, England.

Cynthia Crow will spend approximately four weeks in Russia, observing and working with faculty and administrators in three different types of higher education institutions in Moscow, St. Petersburg, and the central-Volga area.

Katherine Demory and Laurie A. Rogers will be traveling to Strasbourg, France, to conduct research at the Council of Europe, a repository for information about higher education in Europe. Kelli D. Peck will also be traveling to Europe to participate in a four-week internship at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland, followed by a two-week tour of Western Europe.

#### University Advancement

The Alumni Board of Trustees elected new officers for 1997-98. The executive committee will be comprised of the following:

Chair - Linda Kemp '85, Upper Arlington, Vice President, Governmental Policy Group, Inc.

Vice Chair - Jack Baker '66, North Canton, Attorney/Partner, Canton.

Secretary - Gwen Roberts '56, Lakewood, Retired Human Services Administrator

Treasurer - Herbert Hipp '57, Findlay, Retired IBM Executive.

A national search to fill the Director of Development position was conducted. J. Douglas Smith was hired, pending Board of Trustees ratification, and will start June 9. Mr. Smith is currently the Senior Vice President for the Leukemia Society and has nearly 30 years of development experience.

The College of Technology has announced a \$2 million endowed fund-raising campaign in support of the Aerotechnology Program. The goal is to complete the campaign by 2002.

Through April 30, 1997, \$4.4 million in cash and marketable securities have been received. This is more than \$1 million than received at the same time a year ago. We are on track in having the best year of giving in BGSU history and on the path to reach the \$5.2 million goal. Of the \$4.4 million received, almost \$1 million has come through planned giving programs.

Among news media reporting in April that MEDIA100 has entered into an agreement with BGSU to create a digital computer center on campus were the Akron Beacon Journal, Columbus Dispatch, Elyria Chronicle Telegram, The Blade, Cincinnati Enquirer, Lima News, Ashtabula Star Beacon and the Warren Tribune Chronicle. The partnership was announced at a news conference in Las Vegas on April 9.

The University's multiple ceremony graduations on May 9-10 in Anderson Arena was a success. From all reports the feedback has been very positive. An evaluation of the ceremony by students, guests and staff is currently underway.

#### Public Relations

Dr. Susan Bolanis of Toledo has been named director of Arts Unlimited, effective July 1. She succeeds Dr. Michael Moore, who retired last December after having directed Arts Unlimited since its inception in 1981. Arts Unlimited, an award-winning outreach program of the University, trains teachers from all grades and subject backgrounds in aesthetic perception. The program provides artists in music, theatre, dance and visual art to work with those teachers and their students, and brings students to performance and exhibits of works they and their teachers have studied.

On May 15 the Collegiate Chorale began a six-week national concert tour. Directed by Richard Mathey, the 43-member group will perform in 24 cities before concluding the tour with a performance at 8 p.m. June 28 in Kobacker Hall at the Moore Musical Arts Center. The tour includes appearances in Tennessee, Georgia, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Oregon, Washington, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Wisconsin and Michigan.



A group of 16 students from Bowling Green, the Eastman School of Music and Florida State University is traveling in Bali, Indonesia, for a month to experience its culture and ritual art forms. In addition to workshop leader Dr. David Harnish, an assistant professor of music composition/history, and Dr. Ellen Koskoff of the Eastman School of Music faculty are accompanying the students. They will also attend lectures and seminars given by Harnish and by Balinese guest speakers. The group will return June 12.

The former College of Education and Allied Professions is now the College of Education and Human Development. The name change, which became effective May 7, was proposed in January to more appropriately represent the diversity of programs in the college and promote a sense of interdisciplinary and interconnectedness. The college still houses original teacher education programs offered by the University, but has significantly broadened its program offerings. These now include child and family development, child and family community services, college student personnel, dance, educational administration and supervision, elementary education, health education, health promotion, higher education administration, reading, recreation and tourism, secondary education, special education and sport management.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES/UNIVERSITY PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE

Mr. Latta reported that the Committee met on Thursday morning and reviewed two action items.

##### Administrative Staff Personnel Changes since April 25, 1997 Meeting

No. 46-97 Mr. Latta moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that the Board of Trustees has reviewed and ratified the Administrative Staff Personnel Changes since the April 25, 1997, meeting. The motion was approved with no negative votes.

#### PROVOST AND ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

##### New Appointments - Full-time

Diane L. Smith	Asst. Dir. of Program Advisement & Teacher Certification, College of Education and Allied Professions	4-21-97/6-6-97	\$28,235 fyr
Lisa Weihl	Systems Administrator, Department of Computer Sciences	6-1-97/6-30-97	\$36.866 fyr

##### New Appointments - Part-time

Jedrzej Romandwicz	Supervisor of Mass Spectrometer Facility, Chemistry Department	4-1-97/6-30-97	\$3,736
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##### Reappointments - Full-time

Staci Ann McDaniel	Counselor, Student Support Services, Academic Enhancement	7-1-97/8-1-97	\$25,603 fyr
Lisa Weihl	Systems Administrator, Department of Computer Sciences	7-1-97/6-30-98	\$36.866 fyr

##### Changes in Assignment, Title and/or Salary

Karen Woods, Systems Administrator, Human Resources, effective 7-1-96/6-30-97, \$45,879 fyr to \$47,715 fyr, effective 4-1-97/6-30-97, increase in salary due to increase in responsibilities.

## OPERATIONS

### Changes in Assignment, Title and/or Salary

Ann Betts, General Manager, Commons, \$33,162, effective 7-1-96/6-30-97, temporarily reassigned to General Manager, Union Food Service, \$39,243, effective 1-1-97/6-30-97.

## PRESIDENT'S AREA

### New Appointments - Full-time

Dan Dakich	Head Men's Basketball Coach, Intercollegiate Athletics	4-21-97/6-30-97	\$80,000 fyr
James Sanders	Facility Maintenance Supervisor, Intercollegiate Athletics (formerly classified)	4-14-97/6-30-97	\$37,500 fyr
Brian Scott Sherman	Assistant Football Coach, Intercollegiate Athletics	5-5-97/6-30-97	\$27,000 fyr

### Resignations

William L. Courtney	Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, Intercollegiate Athletics	4-4-97	Another position
James M. Gillian	Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, Intercollegiate Athletics	4-7-97	Another position
James Larranaga	Head Men's Basketball Coach, Intercollegiate Athletics	4-2-97	Another position

## STUDENT AFFAIRS

### Changes in Assignment, Title, and/or Salary

Carolyn Agler, Medical Assistant, Student Health Services, employed extra hours on 4/2, 7, 14, 23/97 (11 hours) to be compensated at time and a half per Fair Labor Standards Act; \$207.41.

Kathryn Ellis, Part-time Pharmacist, Student Health Services, employed extra hours on 3/3, 5, 10, 17, 19, 31/97 (10 hours); \$222.80.

Cheryl Lambert, Medical Assistant, Student Health Services, employed extra hours on 4/9 & 30/97 (6 hours); to be compensated at time and a half per Fair Labor Standards Act; \$115.38.

Scott Levin from Assistant Director, Recreational Sports/Aquatics Director, effective 7-1-96/6-30/97, \$41,276 fyr to Interim Associate Director of Recreational Sports for Student Recreation Center Operations, effective 9-12-97/6-30/97, \$48,000 fyr.

Scott Levin from Interim Associate Director of Recreational Sports for Student Recreation Center Operations, effective 9-12-96/6-30/97, \$48,000 fyr to Associate Director of Recreational Sports for Student Recreation Center Operations, effective 4-1-97/6-30/97, \$50,400 fyr, promotion.

Jose Ortega, Medical Assistant, Student Health Services, employed extra hours on 4/7, 14, 16/97 (8 hours), to be compensated at time and a half per Fair Labor Standards Act; \$130.08.

## UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

### New Appointments - Full-Time

Suzanne Kashuba	Editor, Monitor, Public Relations	4-28-97/6-30-97	\$37,000 fyr
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### Changes in Assignment, Title and/or Salary

Suzanne Sopa, Director of Annual Giving, University Advancement, effective 7-1-97/6-30-97, \$36,244 fyr to \$39,244 fyr effective 4-1-97/6-30-97; increase in salary to counter an offer from another agency.

### Proposed Emeritus Appointments

No. 47-97

Mr. Latta moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that approval be given to the appointment to emeritus status of the following faculty members who will retire at the end of the academic year, as recommended by the appropriate college dean, the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Commemoratives, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the University President. The motion was approved with no negative votes.

Dr. Lester Barber, Professor Emeritus of English  
 Dr. Edieann Biesbrock-Didham, Associate Professor Emeritus of Education  
 Dr. Arlo Boggs, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry  
 Dr. Richard Bowers, Professor Emeritus of Health, Physical Education and Recreation  
 Dr. Bartley Brennan, Professor Emeritus of Legal Studies  
 Dr. John Burt, Professor Emeritus of Romance Languages  
 Dr. David Gedeon, Professor Emeritus of Technology Systems  
 Dr. Margy Gerber, Professor Emeritus of German, Russian and East Asian Languages  
 Dr. Stuart Givens, Professor Emeritus of History  
 Dr. Andrew M. W. Glass, Professor Emeritus of Mathematics and Statistics  
 Dr. Harry Hoemann, Professor Emeritus of Psychology  
 Dr. John Howe, Associate Professor Emeritus of Geology  
 Dr. Charles Kahle, Professor Emeritus of Geology  
 Ms. Judith Kisselle, Assistant Professor Emeritus of Health, Physical Education and Recreation  
 Dr. Elden Martin, Associate Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences  
 Mr. Richard Mathey, Professor Emeritus of Music Performance Studies  
 Ms. Dawn McCaghy, Assistant Professor Emeritus of Libraries and Learning Resources  
 Mr. Howard McCord, Professor Emeritus of English  
 Dr. Richard Messer, Professor Emeritus of English  
 Dr. Michael Moore, Associate Professor Emeritus of History  
 Dr. John Nachbar, Professor Emeritus of Popular Culture  
 Dr. Michael Nagy, Professor Emeritus of Psychology  
 Dr. Ronald Partin, Professor Emeritus of Educational Foundations and Inquiry  
 Dr. Robert Perry, Professor Emeritus of Ethnic Studies  
 Dr. Adelia Peters, Professor Emeritus of Educational Foundations and Inquiry  
 Dr. Conrad Pritscher, Professor Emeritus of Educational Foundations and Inquiry  
 Dr. Roger Ptak, Professor Emeritus of Physics and Astronomy  
 Dr. Audrey Rentz, Professor Emeritus of Higher Education and Student Affairs  
 Dr. Vijay Rohatgi, Professor Emeritus of Mathematics and Statistics  
 Dr. Ralph St. John, Professor Emeritus of Applied Statistics and Operations Research  
 Dr. John Scott, Professor Emeritus of Ethnic Studies  
 Dr. Irwin Silverman, Professor Emeritus of Psychology  
 Dr. Charles Simpson, Assistant Professor Emeritus of Health, Physical Education and Recreation  
 Dr. William Speer, Professor Emeritus of Educational Curriculum and Instruction  
 Dr. Vakula Srinivasan, Professor Emeritus of Chemistry  
 Dr. V. Jerone Stephens, Associate Professor Emeritus of Political Science  
 Dr. Edward Stockwell, Professor Emeritus of Sociology  
 Dr. Winifred Stone, Associate Professor Emeritus of Ethnic Studies  
 Dr. Harender Vasudeva, Associate Professor Emeritus of English  
 Dr. Stephen Vessey, Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences  
 Dr. Ralph Wahrman, Associate Professor of Sociology  
 Dr. Lynn Ward, Associate Professor Emeritus of Legal Studies  
 Dr. James West, Professor Emeritus of Marketing  
 Dr. I. Clay Williams, Associate Professor Emeritus of Health, Physical Education and Recreation

Mr. Latta reported that the Committee discussed the Proposed Family and Medical Leave Policy, Departmental Policies for Annual Review, Merit, Contract Renewal, Promotion and Tenure of Tenured and Probationary Faculty, and Proposed Revised Principles and Policies/Procedures of the Performance-based Merit Systems for Faculty and Administrative Staff..



## FINANCIAL AFFAIRS/FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Mr. Stroh chaired the Financial Affairs/Facilities Committee on Thursday afternoon in Judge Connally's absence. He reported that the Committee reviewed one action item.

Emergency Auxiliary Improvement Projects

No. 48-97 Mr. Stroh moved and Mr. Marsh seconded that the Board of Trustees has reviewed and ratified the allocation of \$15,960 for the following emergency Auxiliary Improvement Projects.

Food Operations

MCDONALD DINING HALL

1) McDonald Roof Repair (A & B) \$15,000

Parking Services

PARKING

2) Shuttle Shelter Move (B) 960  
\$15,960

(A) Emergency Funding Required

(B) Additional Funding Required

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes"-- Mr. Bryan, Mr. Laskey, Mr. Latta, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Medlin, Ms. Newell, Mr. Stroh. The motion was approved with seven affirmative votes.

Mr. Stroh added that another auxiliary improvement project being completed that did not require Board of Trustee action is the replacement of stair treads in some of the residence halls. He then asked Bob Waddle, Director of Capital Planning, to give an update on state-funded capital improvements.

Mr. Waddle reported that East Hall construction is near completion and the University takes control of the building this afternoon. The English Department and American Culture Studies Program will move to that building this August. The large lecture hall renovations of Math-Science 210, Math-Science 220, and Education 115 include updating the computerization and video capabilities of those three rooms. In response to specific requests from students to address safety concerns between the Technology Building and Technology Annex, sidewalks will be constructed between those two facilities as well as sidewalks along Merry Avenue. This is being tied with campus lighting upgrades which should be completed over the next two weeks. Harshman-Kresicher renovation is on schedule and will be completed by the end of summer and includes improvements needed to implement the Living-Learning Center. The design for the Central Heating Plant replacement is being completed; bids will be going out with the contract award scheduled for December or January.

## OTHER ITEMS

Resolution: C. Ellen Connally

No. 49-97 Mr. Bryan moved and Mr. Stroh seconded that the Board of Trustees approve the following resolution in honor of C. Ellen Connally's service as a member of the Bowling Green State University Board of Trustees:

WHEREAS, C. Ellen Connally served as a University Trustee from 1988-1997 and was an active member of both the Personnel/Facilities and Financial Affairs/Facilities (formerly Finance) Committees during her term; and

WHEREAS, during her term as Chair of the Board of Trustees, she also chaired the Presidential Search Committee; and

WHEREAS, alumnus Connally's dedication to her alma mater has been reflected through her service on the Alumni Board of Trustees, her instrumental role in the creation of the BGSU-Cleveland Area Minority Alumni Chapter, her willingness to serve as a participant and guest speaker at campus activities, and her extensive orange and brown wardrobe; and



WHEREAS, Judge Connally is an advocate of life-long learning, as demonstrated through her continued participation in educational programs in her current profession, as well as completion of a master's degree in history this spring and acceptance into a doctoral history program at Case Western University next fall; and

WHEREAS, she is very active in the Cleveland community and has established herself as a role model for women in the legal profession through her election as the first African-American woman judge in Ohio,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees expresses its sincere appreciation to Ellen Connally for her outstanding service during her tenure as a Board member and extends its best wishes for happiness and success in her future endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Resolution be spread upon the official minutes and that a copy be sent to Judge Connally.

The resolution was approved with no negative votes.

Trustee Professorship: Dr. Lester E. Barber

No. 50-97

Mr. Marsh moved and Mr. Laskey seconded that the Board of Trustees approve the following resolution recommending Dr. Lester E. Barber for appointment as Trustee Professor of English:

WHEREAS, Dr. Lester E. Barber has served with distinction as Executive Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Board of Trustees since 1990; and

WHEREAS, he has been a tenured member of the English Department faculty and for 10 years served as Chair of that department; and

WHEREAS, after 29 years of service at Bowling Green State University, he will be retiring on June 30 and participating in the Supplemental Retirement Program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barber has helped create a more open, collaborative relationship between the Board of Trustees and University constituent groups; and

WHEREAS, he has developed effective means of communicating to the Board of Trustees about important university issues, and because of his keen insight and extensive knowledge of the University, Board members often entrusted Dr. Barber's counsel on various matters; and

WHEREAS, he has provided *ad hoc* leadership and budgetary oversight to the Departments of Affirmative Action/Disability Resources and Inter-collegiate Athletics; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barber's commitment to expanding the University's international education program has been reflected in many ways, particularly through his development of a Chinese teaching exchange, assistance in the creation of a corresponding Chinese student exchange, coordination of the Visiting Scholar Fulbright Program on the campus, appointment as a Fulbright Scholar in Yugoslavia in 1989-90, and membership on the university's International Education Committee and the NASULGC Commission on International Affairs; and

WHEREAS, through his liaison role with the city government and his membership in such community organizations as the Chamber of Commerce Board of Trustees, Community Development Foundation Board of Trustees, and City/University/Student Relations Committee, Dr. Barber has enhanced town/gown relations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees and the Central Administration express deep appreciation to Dr. Barber for the outstanding quality of his service as an administrator and faculty member; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the President, the Board of Trustees give approval to the designation of Dr. Lester E. Barber as Trustee Professor of English, effective immediately.

The resolution was approved with no negative votes.

Mr. Medlin recognized Jason Bristol for his service as a Student Trustee. He thanked Jason for the wisdom, support and insight that he provided the Trustees during the past two years.

Sponsored Grants and Contracts Awarded: April 1997

No. 51-97 Mr. Marsh moved and Mr. Laskey seconded that grants and/or contracts in the amount of \$427,011.70, for the month of April, 1997, be accepted and expenditures applicable thereto in that amount be authorized. The motion was approved with no negative votes.

	<u>Total for Period</u>	<u>Fiscal Year to Date</u>
April	\$427,011.70	\$13,993,227.07

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY  
COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF GRANTS AND CONTRACTS AWARDED

	July 1 through Apr. 30 Fiscal Years to Date	
	1995-96	1996-97
I. Research		
A. Federally Sponsored	\$1,935,590.00	\$1,414,101.00
B. Privately and State Sponsored	<u>441,701.00</u>	<u>394,238.00</u>
TOTAL RESEARCH GRANTS	\$2,377,291.00	\$1,808,339.00
II. Institutes and Workshops	\$ 181,180.00	\$ 272,456.00
III. Public Service Grants and Contracts	1,984,814.00	2,829,369.02
IV. Program Development & Innovation Grants	1,994,092.44	1,742,775.05
V. Equipment Grants	<u>64,000.00</u>	<u>253,000.00</u>
TOTAL SPECIAL PROJECTS GRANTS & CONTRACTS	\$6,601,377.44	\$6,905,939.07
VI. Student Aid Grants	<u>7,228,576.00</u>	<u>7,087,288.00</u>
TOTAL ALL GRANTS & CONTRACTS	\$13,829,953.44	\$13,993,227.07

Proposed Reappointments to the Public Advisory Council for Television (PACT) - WBGU-TV

No. 52-97 Mr. Bryan moved and Mr. Latta seconded that approval be given to the reappointments of the following persons to the Public Advisory Council for Television (PACT) - WBGU-TV, pursuant to Article II, Section I, of the Revised Charter of Association. The motion was approved with no negative votes.

### Reappointments

Shirley Daley, Lima  
 The Honorable Allan Davis, Findlay  
 Wesley Fahrback, Fremont  
 William Irwin, Perrysburg  
 Constance Little, Findlay  
 Sam Litton, Bowling Green  
 Duane Tucker, Bowling Green  
 Charles Younger, Findlay

## REPORTS - CONSTITUENT REPRESENTATIVES

### Faculty Representative - Robert Holmes

Dr. Holmes introduced Dr. Veronica Gold, recently-elected Vice Chair/Chair-Elect for Faculty Senate in 1997-98 and reviewed action taken by Faculty Senate at its last two meetings. Faculty Senate passed a Faculty Medical Leave Policy, a Performance-based Merit Document and a Prototype Document on Promotion, Merit, Tenure and Contract Renewal.

Dr. Holmes described initiatives planned by the Faculty Senate for the coming year. He and Provost Middleton have discussed undertaking a major revision of the Academic Charter. Other plans include: (1) working closely with constituent groups and Central Administration on retention and recruitment through a validation study to review and analyze the effectiveness of departmental requirements for particular majors and specializations; (2) work with Undergraduate Student Government to publish faculty evaluations; (3) work with the student governments to encourage more interaction with students outside the classroom; (4) update the harassment policy and modify its procedures; (5) investigate changing employee benefit policies to include domestic partners; and (6) establish a task force to analyze the budget process used for the past ten years and recommend appropriate improvements.

### Undergraduate Student Representative - Tara Gore

Ms. Gore introduced Chris Tartara, USG Vice President for 1997-98 and distributed USG highlights for 1996-97 and priorities for 1997-98. A few web pages have been developed this past year, including one for teacher evaluations and one for landlord/apartment evaluations. USG plans to set up additional web pages next year to provide information on other topics to students. She concluded her remarks by thank-ing Student Trustee Jason Bristol for his assistance to USG and for providing an insight into the operation of the Board of Trustees.

### Firelands College Board Representative - Richard Westhofen

Mr. Westhofen highlighted three events that have occurred during the past month. On May 9, Firelands held its commencement exercises, at which time Mr. Richard Smith, Firelands College and BGSU graduate, was presented with the Firelands College Distinguished Alumnus Award. On May 19, the Firelands Advisory Board met with the BGSU Foundation Board to thank them for their donation of \$12,500 to kick off the Technology Enhancement Program at Firelands. On May 16, Physics Day and an Invention Convention were held in conjunction with a group of Erie County educators at Cedar Point.

He announced that the 50th anniversary of the Huron Playhouse and the 30th anniversary of Firelands College will occur during 1998.

### Administrative Staff Council Representative - Joan Morgan

Dr. Morgan thanked the Board of Trustees for its assistance this past year in dealing with the initial phases of the salary compensation study. The Administrative Staff Council currently is working with the administration to come to agreement on a performance-based merit system document.

Dr. Morgan then presented ASC's salary recommendation for 1997-98. The recommendation is based upon a comparison of salary data for BGSU with other peer institutions in Ohio while also recognizing the budget picture for the State of Ohio. Since BGSU's average administrative staff salaries when compared to the average salaries of 11 Ohio universities trail by 3.92% and when compared specifically to Kent State University, Miami University, Ohio University and University of Toledo trail by 4.3%, the Administrative Staff Council recommends that salaries for administrative staff at BGSU should be at a level consistent with salaries for administrative staff at Kent and Miami. To become a reality, this will require an equivalent salary increase to that of Kent and Miami plus an



additional 3.39% to equal Kent or 3.82% to equal Miami. Providing salary increases higher than Kent and Miami over the next several years would have basically the same effect on administrative staff salaries.

Recent discussion was held by Administrative Staff Council regarding the home of BGEffect, a mentoring program for new students started by ASC in the early 1990s. After meeting with Jodi Webb, Director of the First Year Experience Program, ASC is recommending that this program be moved to her area to give this program an institutional home and more impetus.

Dr. Morgan thanked the Board of Trustees for its support during the past year and expressed her pleasure of working with you.

Classified Staff Council Representative - Pat Kitchen

Ms. Kitchen reflected upon her term as Classified Staff Chair and Representative to Board of Trustees. She has enjoyed the opportunity to present to the Board matters of importance to classified staff and to have worked with each of the Trustees to make BGSU a better place to work.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Medlin announced that in keeping with the provisions of the state's "sunshine law" and Amended Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code, he proposed that members meet in an executive session for the purposes of considering a public employee matter and conferring with an attorney concerning disputes and pending court action. He requested that members meet in executive session in the Chart Room with the session expected to last approximately 45 minutes. He stated that Executive Session would be suspended when Attorney General Montgomery arrives to present her report and then resumed at the conclusion of her remarks.

No. 52-97 Mr. Bryan moved and Mr. Stroh seconded that members of the Board of Trustees meet in an executive session to consider a public employee matter and to confer with an attorney concerning disputes and pending court action.

The Board Secretary conducted a roll call vote with the following results: Voting "yes"-- Mr. Bryan, Mr. Laskey, Mr. Latta, Mr. Marsh, Mr. Medlin, Ms. Newell, Mr. Stroh. The motion was approved with seven affirmative votes.

The regular meeting recessed at 11:00 a.m., and the members moved to the Chart Room for executive session.

Chair Medlin suspended executive session at 11:30 a.m. to allow the Board of Trustees to hear Attorney General Betty Montgomery's speech, with executive session to be reconvened upon the conclusion of her remarks.

REPORT

Attorney General Betty Montgomery addressed the Board of Trustees. During the past couple of years, she has been visiting institutions of higher education since her office represents the colleges and universities in Ohio. She complimented BGSU on the manner in which it is conducting its business of publicly educating our students and expressed how nice it is to come to a campus where there are no major issues pending.

The Attorney General's office is a big office and is the attorney for the state. Her office handles issues like collective bargaining, personnel, ADA, and contracts that a university face but on a much larger scale. The Education Section of her office has improved its liaison relationship with local universities by trying to work through issues before they become major critical problems rather than after the fact.

She described some of the more critical issues that have been brought to the "education plate" during her term that she did not contemplate an attorney general would be facing, e.g., budgeting/funding issue, school vouchers, Cleveland School District Case, governance at Central State. All of those things have a tremendous impact not only on her office but ultimately on BGSU, depending upon how they are handled.

Attorney General Montgomery concluded her remarks by expressing her intention to continue the great working partnership she and her office have in terms of educating Trustees and working with them on issues.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Medlin reconvened executive session at 11:40 a.m., and members moved to the Chart Room.

Chair Medlin reconvened the regular meeting at 12:50 p.m. and announced that members had met in executive session for 95 minutes for the purposes of considering a public employee matter and conferring with an attorney concerning disputes and pending court action. No formal action was taken.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:51 p.m.